

**REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment is filed in order to facilitate processing of the above identified application. Nothing in the prior art shows, teaches or suggests associating a first identifier that can identify data in any storage area external to a disc record medium with information about the data and generating a second identifier that can identify the data only in a storage area of the disc record medium as claimed in claims 1 and 9-11. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraws the rejection to the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103.

Thus it now appears that the application is in condition for reconsideration and allowance. Reconsideration and allowance at an early date are respectfully requested.

**CONCLUSION**

If for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact, by telephone, the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed within the currently set shortened statutory period, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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